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SUBJ: SECOND UNIDO QUESTIONNAIRE ON FOLLOW-UP TO LIMA
DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION

1. MISSION HAS RECENTLY RECEIVED FROM UNIDO SECRETARIAT
THE SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE ON "QUESTIONS PERTAINING TO THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LIMA DECLARATION AND PLAN OF ACTION,"
TOGETHER WITH A COVERING LETTER FROM EX DIR KHANE. REPLIES
ARE REQUESTED BY 30 NOVEMBER 1978. COPIES ARE BEING
POUCHED TO SUSAN STEINER, IO/DHP.

2. LIKE THE FIRST QUESTIONNAIRE, THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO
RES. 45 OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD AT ITS NINTH
SESSION WHICH REQUESTED THE EX. DIR. O PERIODICALLY
MONITOR THE ACTION TAKEN BY GOVERNMENTS TOWARD IMPLEMENTING
THE LIMA DECLARATION. THE RESULTS OF THIS SECOND EXERCISE
ARE EXPECTED TO BE "AN ESSENTIAL PREREQUISITE FOR THE
PREPARATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE AND ANALYTICAL ASSESSMENT
OF THE PROGRESS MADE IN LIMA" WHICH WILL CONSTITUTE A BASIC
DOCUMENT FOR UNIDO'S THIRD GENERAL CONFERENCE TO BE HELD
IN NEW DELHI IN JANUARY 1980.

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3. IN HIS STATEMENT DURING THE DEBATE ON THIS SUBJECT AT
IDB-XI IN JUNE 1977, THE U.S. DEL COMMENTED THAT THE FORM
OF THE REPORT, WITH TWO SEPARATE QUESTIONNAIRES -- ONE FOR
DEVELOPED AND ONE FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRIES -- DID NOT TAKE
FULLY INTO CONSIDERATION THE DIFFERENCES WHICH EXIST
BETWEEN COUNTRIES WITH MARKET ECONOMIES, CENTRALLY-PLANNED
ECONOMIES AND MIXED ECONOMIES. THE U.S. DEL URGED GREATER

FLEXIBILITY IN CONTENT AND FORMAT OF THE SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE. THE LAST PARAGRAPH OF THE "INTRODUCTION" TO THIS SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE (P. 2) NOTES THAT DIFFERENT ECONOMIC SYSTEMS DO EXIST. ADDITIONALLY, IN HIS REPLY ON THIS ITEM, DURING THE DEBATE IN THIS TWELFTH SESSION OF THE IDB, THE EX. DIR. SAID THAT THIS SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE HAD BEEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

REVISED, IN LIGHT OF SUGGESTIONS MADE AT IDB-XI, TO ALLOW MORE LATITUDE TO COUNTRIES WITH DIFFERING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SYSTEMS IN PREPARING ANSWERS. A REVIEW OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE SUGGESTS, HOWEVER, THAT THE QUESTIONNAIRE IS NOT SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM THE FIRST ONE, ALTHOUGH THERE HAS BEEN SOME IMPROVEMENT IN PRESENTATION.

4. THE SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE IS DIVIDED INTO THE SAME SIX SECTIONS AS THE FIRST: 1) THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER; 2) FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE; 3) ESTABLISHING INDUSTRIAL CAPACITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES; 4) INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY; 5) INTERNATIONAL TRADE; AND 6) OTHER RELEVANT ISSUES. THE CHAPEAUS OF THE SECTIONS CONTAIN ONLY EDITORIAL REVISIONS WHICH DO NOT EFFECT SUBSTANCE OR FORMAT. MOST SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IS IN SECTION THREE ON "ESTABLISHING INDUSTRIAL CAPACITIES IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES" WHERE THE TERM "REDEPLOYMENT" HAS BEEN REPLACED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BY "PROGRESSIVE TRANSFER."

5. THE MAJOR REVISION COMES IN THE QUESTIONS UNDER EACH SECTION. IN THE FIRST QUESTIONNAIRE, THE QUESTIONS WERE NUMBERED. IN THE SECOND THE QUESTIONS ARE UNNUMBERED AND ARE INTRODUCED BY THE PHRASE "INCLUDING SUCH TOPICS AS," WHICH SUGGESTS THAT THE LIST OF QUESTIONS IS BEING SUPPLIED MERELY FOR GUIDANCE. A REVIEW OF THE QUESTIONS REVEALS, AS WELL, THAT A NUMBER OF CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN SECTION THREE THE NEW QUESTIONS ARE CONSIDERABLY LESS POINTED TOWARD DIRECTED (I.E., BY MEANS OF GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION) TRANSFER OF INDUSTRIES TO THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. AND IN SECTION TWO ON "FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE," SPECIFIC QUESTIONS CALLING FOR DOLLAR AMOUNTS OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE HAVE BEEN DROPPED. THE SAME WAS DONE IN SECTION FOUR ON "INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY," WHERE QUESTIONS INVOLVING PATENT AND LICENSE FEES HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED.

6. THE TENOR OF THIS SECOND QUESTIONNAIRE IS A DISTINCT IMPROVEMENT OVER THE RATHER AGGRESSIVE NATURE OF THE FIRST. IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN, HOWEVER, WHETHER SECRETARIAT WILL BE

ANY MORE SUCCESSFUL THAN IT WAS WITH FIRST QUESTIONNAIRE
IN COMBINING RESPONSES WITH EXTRANEOUSLY COLLECTED DATA TO
PRODUCE A USEFUL "ANALYTICAL ASSESSMENT."

7. LIKE THE FIRST, THIS QUESTIONNAIRE EXISTS IN TWO FORMS,
ONE FOR THE DEVELOPED AND ONE FOR THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
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